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Warm Perfusion

*A potential solution
to the organ shortage*

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- 1) In the search for curative technologies for chronic illnesses, there will be no magic bullets.
- 2) In vitro experimentation does not adequately address the complexities of biologic systems.
- 3) In discerning underlying pathophysiologic processes, the concomitant need to employ controlled experimentation affects the outcomes.
- 4) The use of adequate control design in experimental protocols can lead to such close focus on the tree, that one can no longer see the forest.
- 5) The devil may not be in the details, but rather in the overview.
- 6) The paradigm between the growing demand for organs and the stagnant cadaver donor pool, threatens the future of clinical transplantation.
- 7) Xenotransplantation will not become a clinical reality in the near future.
- 8) Long before it will be feasible to develop biohybrid organs or organs generated from precursor stem cells, damaged organs will be repaired ex vivo mimicking normal physiologic processes.

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